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**Cc:** Annette Smith <vce@vce.org>; Christine lang <cmlangvt@gmail.com> **Subject:** Pending discussion and decisions by PSB re Industrial Wind

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Below, please see relative portion of VT Digger article June 9, 2016 by David Coates - (partial editor's note) "His is on the board of directors of Green Mountain Power. He lives in Colchester."

David Coates: GMP owes success to Mary Powell Jun. 9, 2016, 7:05 pm

Responding to comment by Robert Amelang, of Rutland, who retired after working 26 years as an electric power engineer for CVPS/GMP. He is a member of Vermonters for a Clean Environment and on the board of Neighborworks of Western Vermont.

Bob Amelang: GMP corporate policy impacts Vermont Jun. 1, 2016, 7:00 pm

'Mr. Amelang cites "rampant and reckless renewable development." What he does not site is examples. GMP has taken initiative and developed its own very strong internal siting standards that have resulted in well-sited projects with community support that benefit customers through lower rates.

Kingdom Community Wind is an example of this. It is a project that was overwhelmingly supported by the community in two separate votes, once before it was built and then again after the project was operational.

GMP is currently paying for independent third party sound monitoring at Kingdom Community Wind and regulators have not received any complaints from neighbors in over six months"

## And, my response......

"patricia p rainville 10 days 6 hours ago

With questionable respect for your position on this issue, I would ask....where is the discussion of Vermont's actual carbon footprint? Do our natural forests not absorb a significant percentage of OUR carbon? How does the answer line up with the obvious destruction of same? How about it's undeniable, impact on our lakes, rivers and streams? What is required to build the base of concrete to manage a SINGLE, 499ft industrial wind turbine, with a 100yd "wing spread? Have you thought about how much torque that represents? Have you thought about multiples of these numbers? What about the INTERSTATE quality of the roads required for construction and maintenance? Only one more thought, at this moment...when we sell our carbon credits to Massachusetts, and, other southern neighbors, with prevailing southwest winds, where does that pollution end up?"

Additional sources of information regarding Industrial Wind

http://www.windvigilance.com/

http://waubrafoundation.org.au/

http://randacoustics.com/

http://www.windaction.org/

This is my attempt to reach the fellow Vermonters in the discussion, who may not be thinking, enough, about their significant role in the

preservation of our beloved Green Mountain State. Who wins? Who loses?

Patty Rainville